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Weekend Dance Long Awaited by College Social Set

Off Campus Social Scheduled for Saturday Night

Hallowe'en barn dancing will initiate off campus college social activities on Saturday evening, November 3, at the Y.W.C.A. hall on Golden Hill Street. This affair is planned and sponsored by the social activities committee under the direction of Mrs. Edith H. Decker, house mother of Wistaria Hall. Students attending the dance are requested to appear in costume, something other than everyday attire. Prizes will be awarded to those students whose costumes are the most original, prettiest and funniest. The Lions Planes Band, directed by Duttie Hall, will render the dance music for the various activities of the evening. Students will be required to show their Activity Club card for admission to the dance.

The various committees for the Hallowe'en dance are under the direction of the Staff Adviser, Mrs. Edith H. Decker, and the student chairman, Robert Dunn. The following chairmen have been selected: Stella Walenjo, refreshments; Inez Townsend, decorations; Miriam Smetana, invitations; Joan McGill and Leo Shalvoy, prizes.

H. W. Littlefield's Book Published

Within the past month, the Barnes and Noble Publishing Company of New York City has announced the publication of the eleventh edition, revised and enlarged, of the "New Outline-History of Europe" written by Dr. Henry W. Littlefield, assistant to the president, at the Junior College of Connecticut.

In 1932, Dr. Littlefield's first edition of the historical survey initiated the organization of the "College Outline Series," a group of books by various authorities now covering numerous fields of knowledge. Dr. Littlefield is responsible for introducing the paragraph type of set-up in the series. Formerly, books of this type contained a topical arrangement.

The first edition of the "New Outline-History of Europe" covered the period 1500 to 1848. The edition just off the press includes the period 1815 through 1945 and concludes with a paragraph entitled, "Last Steps Back to Tokyo," bringing the outline up to date through V-J Day.

According to the Barnes-Noble Publishing Company, approximately 160,000 copies of Dr. Littlefield's book have been sold since 1932.

Faculty Appointed To Sponsor Events

President E. Everett Cortright has established the College Activity Council to coordinate all extra curriculum and social activities into a program which will provide for the needs of all the students and avoid conflicting dates of events and the time when the activities are scheduled.

The College Activity Council consists of faculty members including: Dr. Harry A. Becker, chairman, Mrs. Edith H. Decker, Professor Mary Dorn, Professor E. Faye Jones, Professor Herbert Glines, and Professor Charles Petitjean.

College Enrollment Breaks Record



Students return to the Junior College of Connecticut as the College opens its nineteenth year.

Photograph by Andrew Mott

Sir Walter Scott once wrote that, "Love swells like the Solway, but ebbs like its tide." The same might be said for freshman registration this year except that there's no ebb in sight. It might safely be said that never in the history of the college has such an unprecedented enrollment taken place. Increases of well over 100% have shown all along the line.

To render these somewhat startling statements more effective certain figures should be known. The freshman class of 1944 was figured at approximately 100 students. This figure, impressive enough in itself, assumes rather modest proportions when placed side by side with a 210 freshman class for the current year!

A freshman increase of 110% and a soph increase of a little less than 100% seem merely nominal, however when upon examining the figures for the enrollment of vets one finds that they have increased by a mite under 500%! The actual figures are 17 for last year and 80 for the current season.

Thus the grand total increase for the fiscal year has been some 144 students. In view of the fact that there were only 141 students in the school last year this figure assumes no mean proportions.

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Late Registration Offered to Veterans

The Junior College of Connecticut has revised its present enrollment plans so that veterans may enroll in College classes at any time without waiting for the beginning of a semester, it was announced by President E. Everett Cortright.

Two recent developments caused the officials of the College to change its regular plan. Recent announcements by the War and Navy departments indicated an unexpected speed-up in the discharge system in which the Navy will release about 280,000 men per month, while the Army expects to discharge approximately 1,000,000 monthly.

The disheartening effect on the veterans of the College's announcement of the closing of its enrollment plan last week was the foremost development prompting the change. Commenting on the many veterans seeking admission after the final enrollment date, President Cortright stated, "All of these men who have sacrificed so much already should not be held up from three to six months in their desire to start their college studies by being told that they must wait until the February semester begins."

James H. Halsey, assistant to the president and liaison officer for the veterans at the College, will be in charge of the new plan. Under the plan, scheduled to go into effect on November 1, the veterans may enroll at any time in the following special courses: business administration, English, mathematics, science, and history. Those attending will be listed as full time members of the student body and placed in day classes.

Library Society Plans "Open House" Meeting

Officers of the Library Society met on October 18 to plan an affair to which all who are interested will be invited. Definite plans will be announced later. Officers include Gloria Fiore, president; Stella Walejko, secretary; and June Wendel, treasurer.

The purpose of this club is to present new books to the college library as well as to entertain its members with cultural programs.

Scribe Awarded Honor Rating by Collegiate Press

Present Staff Uses Scoring to Improve Current Issues

Second class honors in this year's critical scoring of the Associated Collegiate Press of the University of Minnesota were awarded to the Scribe. Copies of the Scribe published since January, 1945 were submitted. These issues were analyzed and compared with papers submitted by other junior colleges from all over the United States. This is the first time since 1938 that the Scribe has joined the A.C.P. In 1938, the paper was awarded third-class honor rating.

Inter-School Rivalry Out

As stated in the A.C.P. Newspaper Scorebook, "The purpose of this Associated Collegiate Press service is not to create inter-school rivalry, but to provide an agency by which staffs may be aided in giving their schools and communities a significant publication, and to help the staffs in the solution of their problems." The present staff is already at work with the idea of entering this year's issue for comparative improvement rating to be awarded next October.

Rated Excellent

Worthwhile criticism was made of the paper by persons well-schooled in journalistic style. Ratings of "excellent" were given to the Scribe for its vitality, its war effort coverage, its organization and content of new stories, the style, the features, and the editorials. Ratings of "very good" applied to balance, originality, news stories content, headlines, front page makeup, inside news page makeup, features, and sports page writings and display.

Demand Met For Additional Curricula

An increasing demand for instruction in curricula not previously carried by the Junior College of Connecticut, has led to the addition of numerous courses. Among those featured by the College this year is a business course, "How to Start and Operate a Small Business." This course provides training for veterans and business men who desire to increase their method of successful operation in a business.

"Elements of Accounts," a study of the principles of and essentials in accounting, is another new course which is largely in demand.

The field of chemistry is involved in the introduction of the new "Chemistry of Plastics and Resins" course which prepares the student for work in rubber and resins. This course is beneficial to factory foremen who find a background in plastics a requirement.

Expansion of curricula has been made in other subjects aside from business. Speech recording, drama—its theory and practice, and music appreciation are other features of the present catalogue.

Little Theater Established

Drama students of past years remember the small one-story building at the back of the campus as a garage. This year, drama enthusiasts head for the old white garage now dubbed the "Little Theater."

Professor E. Faye Jones, sponsor of the drama group, is working with the dramatists to remodel the meeting place on the College campus.

College to Buy War Bonds

Under the direction of Miss Emily Morrissey, the students will soon sponsor the Eighth War Loan Drive at the Junior College of Connecticut.

Last year the College went over the top by buying two jeeps, an ambulance, and a bomb trailer.

The committee that organized the War Loan Drive last year will take over again this year. Announcements and information concerning the drive will be posted throughout the College.

Advance Assemblies Plans Announced

At future assemblies noted authors and lecturers will be the main speakers. Walter Sorell, psychologist, will reveal his comparatively new science of personality interpretation through gestures and hand positions to the assembly on November 6. Mr. Sorell studied psychology at the University of Vienna and is the author of "Through the Mirror of Your Hands," an authoritative work on the subject. Dramatic Society to Entertain

The Dramatic Society will make its inaugural appearance on November 20. A one-act comedy on psychoanalysis by Susan Glaspell will be presented by the drama class under the direction of Professor E. Faye Jones. The play, entitled "Suppressed Desires," concerns itself with the Freudian psychology of extreme belief in dreams. Fighting French Leader to Speak

The next assembly will meet on December 11 at which time the principal speaker will be Adolphe De Milly, creator of the first Fighting French newspaper in New York City. Mr. De Milly, as the contact man in the United States for the French Underground, is the best informed man in this country of the events and movements that transpired in occupied France, it is stated. He is also responsible for the first Fighting French radio program, "L'Heure de la France Eternelle." Mr. De Milly will lecture on the French underground movement.

Party Scheduled For Evening School

Students attending the evening class sessions at the Junior College of Connecticut are invited to attend a reception to be held for them on November 2 from 8:45 to 11:45 at Wistaria Hall. This reception is intended to foster good will among students and faculty and to welcome the evening students into the "College family."

Faculty members will be on hand to greet all students. Entertainment will include bridge, pinocle, and other games. Al Christie's orchestra has been engaged for dancing. Joyce Walsh and Herbert Karpelman, day students at the College, are vocalists, and will be featured on the program.

Miss Ruth Nichols, executive secretary of evening classes, and general chairman of the reception, cordially invites students and their guests to attend.

Floral decorations for the evening have been contributed by the Tom Thumb Conservatory.

College Yearbook to Organize

Those interested in working on the "Wistarian," the school year book, will meet on Tuesday, November 6, in room eight at three o'clock. The staff of the book will be chosen on a merit basis this year.

The possibility that the "Wistarian" may be an "all-college year book" is being considered. However, the plans will be open for discussion at the meeting. Among the jobs to be filled on the staff are the following: feature writers, editorial writers, photographers, cartoonists and artists. In addition, a business staff is needed to solicit advertisements for the book.

Those interested students who cannot attend the meeting are requested to leave their names in Miss Katherine V. Merillat's mail box in the main office.



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A Word of Welcome

It becomes the official duty of the Scribe to extend a cordial greeting to all newcomers to the Junior College of Connecticut.

First, the Scribe welcomes the freshmen. No finer group has yet graced the campus than the spirited young men and women who have come from all over the country.

Among the freshmen are some eighty veterans of World War II who deserve mention. Mere words are inadequate to express thanks for a job well done. The Scribe welcomes them heartily.

New faces at college include not just students; the ranks of the faculty have been enlarged. With the addition of new instructors, the J.C.C. is keeping its pledge to every student: to provide a secure foundation for the future by individual attention and able instruction.

Not forgetting the evening classes, the Scribe welcomes those teachers and new students who are the "other half" of the college life.

With the semester off to a glorious start, with the changing of schedules having been completed (the bursar hopes), with the largest body of students ever to be enrolled finally on the road to higher learning, and with the first edition of the Scribe already distributed, let us breathe a sigh of relief, and in the same breath, though it be our last—a hearty welcome to one and all.

H. K.

Reconversion

"Reconversion" is the tip-of-the-tongue word of people all over the world. Should the term remain the property of industry, or should the term be adopted by the professions? Better still, is there a place for reconversion in education?

Locally, the Junior College of Connecticut is answering the question; the Junior College of Connecticut has seen the light and is pointing the way. Reconversion is the keynote of the College today, the curricula, the faculty, the student organization.

With a bright year well started, the College reconversion movement points to a brighter future. All eyes are focused on the great Junior College of Connecticut. Long live J.C.C.

B. R.

To Our Veterans

It is encouraging to see so many veterans attending classes at the Junior College of Connecticut. The veteran enrollment seems to refute the theories that the Army makes G.I. Joe a dull boy, or that lengthy service in the Armed Forces has stemmed the veterans' thirst for knowledge.

The road to higher learning is not a smooth and simple one. Appreciation, interest, enthusiasm, all signposts on the road to higher learning, may cause the best students to falter. Veterans have been away from the realm of study and precise thought; therefore an adjustment is to be made in their daily ways, which may be helped by their obvious seriousness of purpose.

The ex-servicemen on the College campus are coming to class with a new outlook, a new eagerness. For many, this beginning will be the turning point in their lives. Upon their first few steps here at the Junior College of Connecticut will depend their immediate future. Time cannot be wasted.

Long service in the Armed Forces at home, and experiences overseas, have matured and broadened the veterans. They are daily becoming an important factor in the classroom. Group discussions are enriched by first hand accounts from these recent visitors from far lands. Classroom discussion is enlivened by sparkling accounts of those who have actually seen one or more of the seven wonders of the world. The pyramids, the Colosseum, the Sphinx, the temples, . . . all these and other vestiges of ancient culture are daily enriching the classroom proceedings at the Junior College of Connecticut.

For this shared enrichment, the College family realizes its indebtedness to each one of the eighty-three veterans on the campus.

This first postwar semester in the history of the College is bound to prove one fact: Uncle Sam's loss is J.C.C.'s gain.

R. M. R.

Women's Hats

By Phyllis Cummings

Why is the smile associated with the mention of women's hats? There is nothing humorous connected with them; after all, women must wear hats. Why not let them wear what pleases them? I despise the plain ones, the droopy ones, the medium-sized ones. They are for those who have passed the age in which the exciting ones prevail. But the charming, petite ones with their crisp flowers, veils, and ribbons, the large-brimmed picture hats, the tiny fur-trimmed hats and the feathered ones fascinate me. There are small hats, large hats, medium-sized hats, colored hats, white hats, black hats, pastel hats, bright-colored hats, multi-colored hats, flowered hats, large-brimmed hats, small-brimmed hats, brimless hats, straw hats, felt hats, fur hats, velvet hats. Yes, there is an infinite parade of hats marching across the seasons, years, and centuries.

These all but invisible hats are responsible for many of the virtues in this world. Have you never noticed that a woman with a tiny straw hat sprigged with cherries and ribbons appears much more cheerful than one with a dull, somber hat?

The hat of a passer-by shows immediately her destination. That sad black hat is going to the funeral, and that conservative, navy one is probably out on a shopping trip, and that large straw one with the black velvet ribbon is going to the wedding.

Oh no, the hats of women are not to be used as amusement; they are as necessary to a woman's morale as that special moving picture she had to see last week. Hats can be spirit lifting, or demoralizing, or persuasive, or "dead" or "alive", as they choose.

A Man's Man

By Stanley Vlantes

Ernest Hemingway, author of "Farewell to Arms," and "For Whom the Bell Tolls," is a big, dark-featured man who loves his sports on the dangerous side. Big-game hunting in Africa, deep-sea fishing off the Florida Keys, skiing, and, in a passive way, bull-fighting have all claimed him as a keen enthusiast.

He was born in 1898, in Oak Park, Illinois, and educated in its public schools. At the age of nineteen, he volunteered as an ambulance driver on the Italian Front of World War I. He soon transferred to the infantry, "the Queen of Battles," and was cited for his soldierly qualities. Later, he was invalided home from wounds received in action. Out of those experiences grew his first great novel, "Farewell to Arms."

When the Civil War broke out in Spain in 1936 he went there as a correspondent and wrote the play, "The Fifth Column," which has become a synonym for treachery in the English language. Later, in 1940, his novel, "For Whom the Bell Tolls," was immediately acclaimed by critics and public alike as a great book.

He has influenced young American writers very much with his plain, bare style that conveys all he wishes to say. In the moral latitudes, he also seems to have become a voice for those who see death as the end of life and no more. But his best work was born out of the travail of war and those who know war can say with deeper conviction that he is one of the truly great writers of his generation.

Navy Day Recognized

The Scribe editors feel that this issue would be incomplete without a brief comment on the passing of our first peacetime Navy Day in four years.

The principle celebration occurred in New York, where large sections of Halsey's mighty third fleet lay at anchor in the harbor. To the American public it was a day of great rejoicing and celebration. To the men recently returned to their homeland, it was a dream of long duration, come true at last. These men looked forward to a return to home, family, and a happy future in a world at peace.

Reminiscence

By David Stern

Brightly shining is the sun
From dawn until the day is done.
In fiery state across the sky
The ball of fire goes sailing by.

Then down in torrents comes the rain
Pittering and pattering on the window pane.

As evening approaches slowly it
slackens,
The heavens clear as the evening
blackens.

Midst a myriad of stars, the moon
appears
Like a reigning queen among her
peers.

Her majestic beauty so appealing
Seems like a glow in the starlit ceiling.

Boulder of Sisyphus

(J. C. C. Model)

By Frederick Tomchik

It is 8:30 Saturday morning. One by one the students trudge into the English classroom, I among them. Weary from a post-midnight session spent in grinding out the weekly theme, I slump into my seat with befogged brain and heavy-lidded eyes. After the familiar routine of collecting, reading, and slashing apart themes, there comes the moment which I have been anticipating with dread fascination. Teacher, with the callousness and unconcern of an Old Bailey judge, pronounces sentence upon us: "The theme for next week will be . . ." I receive the words with the dull despair of impotence. Only one faint gleam of consolation supports me: next Saturday is a whole week away.

As the week passes, the thought of the theme hangs over its activities like a threatening cloud. On Tuesday morning I am dismayed to find that two whole hours are available for advance work. By no amount of rationalizing can I avoid starting the theme. I have backed myself into a corner from which there is no honorable escape. Doggedly I begin the search for a suitable idea. For half an hour I meditate calmly, but the muse refuses to be wooed successfully. My mood becomes grimmer. Like the proverbial drowning man, I run through all the incidents of my life that I can remember, sifting them to find one that has a literary flavor. One by one they are discarded. A life that has not been at all uninteresting suddenly seems to have been exceedingly dull. After a dozen ideas have been tried and found wanting, I give up the job in disgust.

By Thursday the lack of a theme topic has me in a desperate frame of mind. The thought of Saturday's assignment begins to haunt each waking hour. Every feature of the day's activities, every mental and emotional reaction is examined as possible theme material. Looking at my lather-smear face in the mirror as I am shaving, I become conscious of the weird grimaces I am making to facilitate the operation.—Have I a theme here? Boy, what "Bugs" Baer could do with a subject like this. But the problem is, what can I do with it? Ruefully I decide, not much. And so it goes through the rest of the day.

Although Friday night seemed a long way off from the vantage-point of the preceding Saturday morning, it always arrives. Time rolls on in its relentless course; my last Friday class is over, and the zero hour for starting the theme is uncomfortably close. I linger through supper and have an extra dessert course to fortify myself for the night's ordeal and incidentally to put it off just a few moments longer. After supper I feel that I should rest awhile to help my digestion. But soon I can procrastinate no longer. I heave myself out of the sofa and set up the typewriter. At length my preparations are complete; there is nothing left to do but turn out the theme.

I sit down decisively at the typewriter, grasp my head firmly between my hands, and wait for something to happen. For five minutes, ten minutes, half an hour I stare at the blank white sheet. My nervous system seems

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College Librarian Lists Library Rules

With a great deal of trepidation I am addressing this column to Junior College neophytes. It isn't that numbers guide me, but the fact that the older, wiser, second-year people have already been subjected to a barrage of library instruction. Therefore, they undoubtedly would find this not to their taste. It is my intention, you see, to give to the Freshmen a rather hurried and superficial introduction to the library.

So! here's to you, Freshies. Welcome to the Junior College of Connecticut library.

In way of explanation your library is intended to be filled with books and magazines to supplement your texts and class work. We are trying hard to fill your every need—but! Please be patient. We are not millionaires. Neither have we found a fairy godmother. Therefore you may not find all the books you want for some subjects. Our intentions are good, however. Within two months it is hoped we will have improved by adding extensively to our small collection. Incidentally, a new set of the Encyclopedia Britannica is on its way.

Our library regulations are few. Naturally reference books are not allowed to be removed from the library. Unless placed on "reserve" all other books and pamphlets may be borrowed for two weeks. We are extremely generous. We place no restrictions on the quantity of material which may be taken out, and we are very happy to renew such materials for another two week period. However, please remember, we are interested in knowing where our books and pamphlets are. Therefore, don't forget to check at the desk. Just sign your name on the card found in the back of each book and bring both book and card to the desk for stamping.

In this connection may I remind you that we are all working as a group and that it shows mighty poor sportsmanship to take a book needed by everyone in the class from the shelves. This has already happened once this year. Don't let it happen again.

Our library is also your only study hall. For the benefit of all, it must be kept quiet. Certainly this is not asking too much from a group of adults. Remember that your librarians do not like to speak to you in regard to noise. Too often we find it necessary to do so.

Good luck to you throughout the year. Your library stands ready to serve you to the best of its ability.

BOULDER OF SISYPHUS

(Continued from column 4)

to be paralyzed above the neck region. By the utmost application of will power I cannot start a single train of thought, in fact not even a kiddie-car. A feeling of exasperation begins to smoulder within me.

Finally, after what seems like hours of mental convulsions and agonized soul-searching, an idea trails into my brain, tenuous as a wisp of smoke. Desperately I struggle to get it within my grasp, to ensnare it in sharp black words on a white page. At last I am on my way! In the first flush of accomplishment the words rain onto the paper, but then the thundershower of inspiration is over, and the sentences are ground out laboriously. And so, with alternate periods of brain-racking in quest of ideas and wrestling with ideas to reduce them to words, the theme progresses. Finally, as Friday is fading into Saturday, the pangs of literary parturition are over. My brainchild has been delivered. I get up wearily from the typewriter, glance through pudgy eyelids at the debris from the evening's battle (the floor is littered with tufts of hair that I have torn out in my agonies and with countless spitballs my restless fingers have rolled), and drop exhausted into bed. This is the best time of the week. For the next eight hours there will be no theme to worry about.

The next morning I am slumped half-asleep in my seat as the themes are collected and read. But my drowsiness is not narcotic enough to still the pang I feel when Teacher nonchalantly pushes the Sisyphus Boulder down the hill once more: "The theme for next week will be . . ."

Sport Spots

New Adviser Revises Boys' Sports Line-Up

With the addition of Mr. Herbert Glines to the College staff, the program of boys' sports for 1945-46 will undergo immediate revision. Aside from teaching mathematics, Mr. Glines will coach the men's baseball and basketball teams. Enthusiasm has been shown by the students desiring to play basketball. Mr. Glines plans to practice at the "Y" and hold the initial drill early in November.

Girls' Sports Plans To Include Contests

In preparation for the girls' volleyball tournament, teams have been organized and captains elected. Laurel Hansen, Iveta Brookshire, Amelia Scioletti, Pat Halmeck, Elaine Bodnar, and Marge Osterhoudt were those chosen to lead the teams.

Throughout this winter, the girls' sports program will feature basketball. The girls' varsity basketball team will bow into the intercollegiate sport spotlight this fall. A schedule of eight games with neighboring junior colleges has been arranged. To date twenty-five girls have signed for the team. Tryouts and practice will begin on or about November 1, the opening game tentatively booked for November 26. Selection of the squad will be made at the tryouts and all those interested are urged to sign up with the Athletic Association.



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Faculty Scores; Students Swamped

Volley-ball Season Opened

A volleyball game between the faculty members and the students on Oct. 17, officially opened the fall sports season. The faculty, spark-plugged by James H. Halsey, swept to victory over the students by a top-heavy score of 15 to 4 in the first game and 16 to 14 in the second.

The line-up of the team was as follows:

Faculty: Professor Emerson Chamberlain, Professor E. Faye Jones, Dr. Harry A. Becker, Professor Charles F. Petitjean, Dr. Henry W. Littlefield, Mr. James H. Halsey.

Students: Joseph Mioske, Ralph Langanke, George McGrath, James Peters, Gloria Fiore, Marion Dionis, Gladys Kost, Millicent Miller.

Long-arm shots of Dr. Becker and pushovers by Professor Jones decided the contest in favor of the faculty in the early stages.

General Sports Plan Reviewed for Girls

Limbering up exercises combined with volleyball practice are the fundamentals of an interesting and active year of girls' sports. When muscles and enthusiasm get in tune, volleyball tournaments, badminton, and square-dancing will be undertaken.

After these activities, basketball, tumbling, and the modern dance appear on the schedule. Mrs. Louise Matladge, professional dancer, returns to lead the class of modern dance. With a schedule such as this for the fall term, enthusiasm is essential, and Misses Amy Moore and Betty Johnson, teachers of physical education, express the hope that this enthusiasm will continue in the spring term.

With the advent of spring will come swimming and tennis. Classes in swimming will be held at the Orcutt Boys' Club and plans include the forming of groups for beginning, intermediate, and advanced students. Tennis, at the Laurel Courts, will round out the season.

Enrollment Breaks College Records

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Naturally in the face of such astounding developments, the advisory staff has not been silent. These answers met the curious queries of a Scribe reporter.

Asked what his opinions were on the causes of this phenomenal jump, Dr. Littlefield gave these reasons:

1.) The end of the war released many veterans. These men are anxious to resume their education.

2.) The increased College facilities, viz. the addition of new curricula, new teachers, drew many civilians to the College.

3.) War workers are finding it increasingly desirable to obtain further education in order to maintain steady jobs.

4.) People throughout the country are becoming education-conscious. They feel more and more the need for an education that exceeds the limited quantity afforded by high schools.

Much enlightened by this information the reporter then turned to Dr. Harry A. Becker. Giving much the same reasons for the increased enrollment the Director of Student Personnel added, "This year's class is serious. It is settling down to business and paying maximum attention to college work rather than to social activities." Director Becker declared that the veterans were a sobering influence on the class. Said he, "To the veterans time and money are precious items and are not to be idly spent. They are determined to do well." Asked whether he thought this was a temporary rush which would soon die out, Dr. Becker asserted that it was a general trend which had been rising for years and which would, far from dying out, increase.

This is certainly a banner year for the Junior College of Connecticut. Much credit is due to those who, by their hard work and unremitting efforts, made it possible.

And from Dean Helen M. Scurr, the Scribe received this statement:

"Naturally I rejoice that more and more young people are finding it possible and desirable to enter college. I am especially pleased at the confidence in the Junior College of Connecticut to which our own large student body attests. Yet remembering the friendly intimacy of our smaller classes of the past, and being the sort of teacher who likes to know you individually, down to the least capital and comma, I applaud the President's wise decision to curtail further enlargement at this time."

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MAKE ONE
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CARDIGANS 'N SLACKS

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Fifth Column

As the fall shadows start creeping over the campus of our college and all you cliff-dwellers are back from the rock pile, we have a little news to report.

I don't know, but I heard that Jim Peters has his eye on a little girl from Wistaria Hall. Who knows where he will strike next? Don't give up yet girls!

Back on his old job is Vinny Zanella with his new uniform one that he purchased in Klein's basement.

Sweater Girl ★ ★ ★

Oh yes, and Margery Osterhoudt wearing that dashing red sweater. Ah yes, the Sophomore gatherings are still going on. They're still making every Saturday night like New Year's Eve.

Ed (Pappy) Palowski has adopted one of the Frosh girls. No doubt, he is acting like a big brother to her.

Joyce and Jackie Walsh, and Verna Muller were seen chopping rocks down at Fairfield Avenue. What can this mean?

Free China Girl ★ ★ ★

Joanne McGill and "Torchy" Jankowich are sporting George McGrath to a movie every week because Joanne is collecting dishes. Of all places, they are sending this young American to the Strand. Those girls will stop at nothing.

Dot Runde, Laurel Hanson, and Jean Linley were seen in the Social Room talking about the sales at Klein's basement.

Iveta Brookshire has taken over the Taxi business at J.C.C. Luck to you, Iveta.

Boys Beware ★ ★ ★

The girls of Fremont House are having a contest for "Pin-Up Boys" from the school, so get your pictures in early.

Rosita Peterson and Elaine Boxer have been running a close race for a certain boy's affection at school.

Gloria Niewood puts on a floor show nightly of New York Boogie-Woogie in the Wistaria Hall living room and it really is solid.

The boys are serenading the girls over at Wistaria Hall again this year.

Scribe Scribblers Scramble ★ ★ ★

The Scribe Office is really buzzing, everybody is running around like chickens with their heads cut off. Dot Runde along with a few other members are doing a bang-up job typing.

By the way, does anyone know who is giving who driving lessons, or are they driving lessons? What about it, Elaine Bodnar and Walt Auger? Ed Totte, Tom Pascale, George McGrath, and Jim Peters seem to have a strong liking for trains! My, my, this young America! How about it, fellas, are you still looking for the Rose Bowl, boys?

Love Lights ★ ★ ★

Has anyone noticed that certain gleam in "Torchy" Jankowich's eyes when a certain M. R. strolls through the halls of J.C.C.? And it isn't even Spring! Who knows where she will strike next!

Now where did our three little sisters get those yellow coats? McGrath must have told them about the sale at Kleins!

Laurel Hanson was seen strolling along with her Army beau! Where have you been keeping him, Laurel?

Wedding Bells ★ ★ ★

Our sincere wishes for all the happiness in the world go to Dordy Miller and her Jamie Boy, who are going to be married on Christmas Day! The famed McGrath choir will be on hand to sing the Phynarde's marching song.

The Navy seems to be taking over Lucy Bruchalski's social life. How about bringing him around, Lucy, and let the rest of the girls get a chance?

Beware of Tanya Rosenblatt and her arsenic!

What causes the big attraction Fred Tomchik has for the telephone booth?

Travelogues ★ ★ ★

Mary Gaudio and Joan Pierpont were seen heading in the direction of Sandy Hook last Saturday. Was that trip necessary girls?

Gloria Fiore, Stella Walejko, and John Shamiss seen down at the Fountain Diner still eating, and to top it off, they bring their lunch!

We were all glad to see John Kelley, who is a former student of J.C.C. John is serving as an Air Cadet in the Army Air Corps. Best of luck to you, John!

Eyes Have It ★ ★ ★

Bob Dunn has his eye on a certain cute little blonde freshman with the initials of J. P. She's a swell kid, Bob!

Warren Swain has been installed in the P. A. W. Fraternity. Luck to you, Warren!

Estelle Buerger, last seen carrying a calalily down State Street!

Who is the cute little chick John Wells was walking down the street with?

Maxine Hoffman is doing her little bit by emptying the ash trays in the Social Room.

Main Streeting ★ ★ ★

Miriam Smetana and Gladys Kost seen going out on a hunting trip down Main Street. Good hunting! Willie Grathwol has her eye set on B. D. Carolyn Ducherk is quite the football player. I'll have to leave you now because I see my faithful Phynarde is ready to carry me back to the Bohemian Hill. Until the next issue, I must say—so long!

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Dormitories Hold All Time Record

Fremont House Reopened

Due to the increased number of women enrolled for the 1945-46 term, the College reopened Fremont House, formerly a dormitory for men, which is located at 42 Fremont Street.

This dormitory was first opened in 1938 and housed a librarian, a former professor of Junior College and his wife, and two women studying at the College. At present, Mrs. Matilda Leonard is housemother to the fourteen women residing there.

Another dormitory was opened during 1940 and was named Number 52. During one of the following years the house was used solely by Professor Richard W. Bryan. Need for more academic space in 1944 caused the conversion of this house, recently renamed South Hall, into classrooms.

Wistaria Hall, the main dormitory, located at 1015 Fairfield Avenue, was opened by Mrs. Edith H. Decker for the 1941-42 term. Mrs. Decker was housemother to fourteen women at that time. This number has risen and now totals twenty-five. Home states of the dormitory women include the following: New York; New Jersey; Massachusetts; Pennsylvania; Connecticut; Maryland; and Rhode Island. Meals are prepared at Wistaria Hall for all dormitory women by the kitchen staff which includes Ida Blake, Florence Malstrom, Lillian Miner, and Frances Wasilowski.

Red Cross Recruits Plan Year's Activity

At the first meeting of the Red Cross group on October 20, plans for the year were made under the supervision of Dean Helen M. Scurr. There will be three active divisions: the motor corps, the production corps, and a radio corps.

Those interested in the motor corps are required to take a fifteen hour course which qualifies them to drive Red Cross cars. These vehicles transport wounded veterans to and from hospitals, deliver equipment used by the production corps, and act as a taxi service to bring officials to important meetings.

The production group is the Red Cross Santa Claus. Members fill Christmas stockings for the wounded men in hospitals and knit for the vets.

The radio group, which should interest the drama class, will use the fifteen minute radio program sponsored by the Red Cross each Saturday morning.

If these programs are entertaining the group will be allowed to present them at various veterans hospitals.

Present members of the Red Cross are: Iveta Brookshire, Miriam Smetana, June Wendel, Joanne McGill, Gloria Fiore, and Stella Walejko.

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New Professors Enjoy Work



Sophomore class president, Vincent Zanella, welcomes the new professors: Standing, Professors Glines, Jones, Bigsbee, Smith, Dorn, Petitjean, and Pratt.

With the expanding curricula of the Junior College of Connecticut has come a very great expansion in the college staff. As the official organ of publication for the college, the Scribe presents the following brief biographical sketches of each new staff member.

Professor Petitjean Forsees Pleasant Year

Mr. Charles F. Petitjean of Waterbury, Connecticut, who comes to us from Canton High, where he taught business administration, was engaged in business for a time prior to joining the staff of J.C.C. He has a high opinion of the junior college system, and considers it definitely superior to the freshman and sophomore curricula of the senior college.

Mr. Petitjean is impressed with the group of students in attendance here and forsees a very pleasant year for all. He received his bachelor's degree from the Teachers' College at New Britain, Connecticut, and his master's degree at New York University.

Professor Dorn Favorably Impressed

Miss Mary E. Dorn of Everett, Massachusetts, teaching English and economic geography, comes from the Salem, Massachusetts High School. She is a graduate of Emmanuel College in Boston, where she received her M. A. degree. Although here only a short while, Miss Dorn's impression of J.C.C. is very favorable. She is quite enthusiastic about the junior college system, believing that it assists the pupils to become better accustomed to the college courses and social life than a senior college setup.

Language Professor Sponsors Clubs

Mr. William B. Pratt, professor of foreign languages, believes that J.C.C. is a forward-looking college, and is well-pleased with the large enrollment for the current semester. He also maintains that the foreign language clubs, of which he is sponsor, form a fine outlet first, for students whose interests in the active use of foreign

room, and secondly, for veterans who have made some contact with languages in their foreign travels, and wish to perfect their usage of them. language extends beyond the class-

Mr. Pratt comes from his native Boston, where he taught Spanish at Boston University. He holds a B. A. degree from Harvard, and an M.A. from the Graduate School of Boston College. At present, he is working for a doctor's degree.

Professor Bigsbee Returns

Mr. Earle M. Bigsbee could hardly be termed a newcomer, having previously been a faculty member for six years. However, since he has been absent for the past two years, while teaching physics to Navy V-12 students at Union College, the Scribe believes re-introduction to be in order.

Mr. Bigsbee believes that the Junior College of Connecticut fills a need in education usually not met by the standard four year college. The junior college, he maintains, offers more individual guidance and instruction per student than can be offered by the average senior college.

With his home town in Schenectady, New York, Mr. Bigsbee is a graduate of Union College, and New York State Teachers' College.

Mr. Glines Revises Sports

Mr. Herbert E. Glines whose home is Twin Mountain, New Hampshire, a University of New Hampshire graduate, comes to J.C.C. from Burlington, Massachusetts High School where he taught Mathematics for the past two years.

He is extremely enthusiastic about the college, claiming it to be a most efficient institution. He is especially impressed by the friendly attitude existing between the faculty and student body. Mr. Glines, extra-curricular interests are the basketball and base-

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College Supports War Fund Drive

At a formal opening of the Bridgeport Community Chest and War Fund Drive, attended by a committee of students from the Junior College of Connecticut, an active part was accepted in raising funds for the quota this year. Members who represented the College were James Southouse, Joan McGill and June Wendel.

Professor Earle M. Bigsbee is chairman of the drive for the College, with Professor E. Faye Jones assisting.

New Professors Enjoy Work

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ball teams which he is coaching.

Dramatics Program Planned

Miss E. Faye Jones, teacher of English and dramatics, comes to J.C.C. from a teaching position at Boston University. Her parents reside in Clinton, Arkansas, but she has made her home in New England for the past few years. She holds a master's degree from Emerson College.

Miss Jones considers J.C.C. an outstanding school of its type. She is impressed by the extensive program, which has many of the aspects of a university program, and by the great friendliness evidenced throughout the school.

Miss Jones is looking forward to a happy and successful year for all.

Fremont Dorm Reopens

Last but not least of the recent additions to the staff, we have Mrs. Matilda Leonard, Fremont House's housemother. Her impression of J.C.C. is that it is "pretty wonderful, and that the girls are as nice as the college."

Her only previous experience has been assisting the housemother part time, but she is confident of "smooth sailing." According to Mrs. Leonard, the fourteen resident women students at Fremont House have been most cooperative. She maintains that she is very happy in her work, and much prefers the title "housemother" to the more formal title of "house matron."

Dramateers Plan Events for Year

Meetings Held in Little Theater

Under the guidance of Miss Edra Faye Jones, the Dramatic Club held its first meeting on October 18. Election of officers was held with the following results: George McGrath, president; Joseph Tobin, vice-president; Margery Osterhout, publicity chairman and secretary. Standing chairmen elected for the year include: Dorothy Runde, treasurer; Joseph Hillson, program chairman; Iveta Brookshire, assistant program chairman.

The Dramatic Club promises to be an active organization this year, with frequent discussion of modern plays, followed by group theater parties. The club is a supplement to the drama class, and working together, a major production is to be staged before the end of the first semester.

The first major event of the club will be a trip to New York to see the musical, "Oklahoma." Other social functions are being planned, but the committee chairmen have not, as yet, completed arrangements.

The Dramatic Club meets every Wednesday in the Little Theater, and all announcements of the doings of the club are posted on the Marquee, an original bulletin board made for the club by Frederick Tomchik and Iveta Brookshire. All students are invited to join the club and take an active part in the dramatic offerings of the year.

Non-Credit Classes Meet

Ten non-credit courses opened to the public last month as part of the evening school program under the direction of James H. Halsey, assistant to the president and director of the evening school.

The classes began October 14, and each course will meet for ten sessions. Classes include those in parliamentary procedure, vocabulary building and word study, "Behind the Headlines," creative writing, interior decorating, photography, art, best books of today, music appreciation, and personality and etiquette.

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